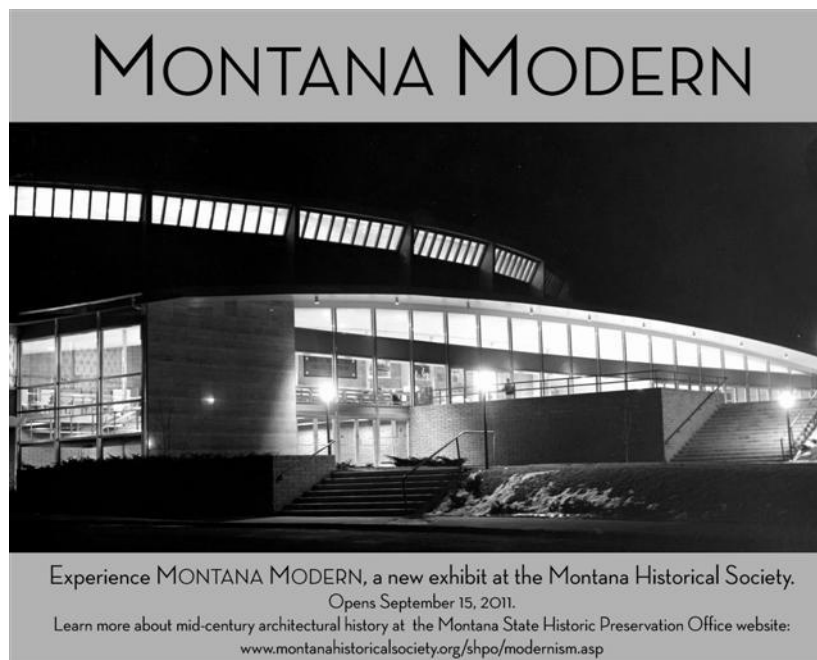


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PRESERVE MONTANA:
The Montana Historic Preservation Plan, 2008-2012
Goals and Objectives

Goal I. EDUCATE: Building a foundation for historic preservation through knowledge and awareness.

Objectives:

1. Gather, develop, and disseminate historic preservation guidance and standards.
2. Instill awareness and appreciation for Montana's heritage and heritage properties.
3. Promote learning opportunities with the public and interest groups.
4. Pursue new ways and means to share information about Montana's historic, pre-contact and traditional cultural properties.

Goal II. CELEBRATE: Promoting preservation with recognition, praise, and acknowledgement.

Objectives:

1. Use multi-media to convey historic preservation successes and opportunities.
2. Promote forums to acknowledge and reward outstanding achievements and efforts in historic preservation.
3. Facilitate recognition of historic properties through signage, published materials, events, and programs.

Goal III. LOCATE and EVALUATE: Identifying and documenting Montana's significant heritage places worthy of preservation.

Objectives:

1. Survey or support the survey of un-inventoried properties throughout the state.
2. Guide the development and use of historical contexts for evaluating the significance and integrity of Montana's pre-contact, historic and cultural sites.
3. Encourage and assist owners to document and list properties in the National Register of Historic Places.
4. Enhance the management of and access to cultural resource information.

Goal IV. ADVOCATE: Seeking support of preservation through funding, incentives, and protection.

Objectives:

1. Encourage the integration of historic preservation in planning and policy-making.
2. Promote the cultural, social, and economic benefits of historic preservation.
3. Provide leadership and vision in historic preservation.
4. Implement existing preservation legislation and encourage new laws and incentives to protect heritage properties.
5. Seek additional financial resources to supplement funding for historic preservation.

Goal V. COLLABORATE: Working together to preserve Montana's historic, pre-contact, and traditional cultural properties.

Objectives:

1. Reach out to federal, state, tribal, and local public and private stakeholders.
2. Sponsor or participate in forums to share ideas, experience, and information.
3. Solidify existing partnerships and form new consensus for the benefit of historic preservation.
4. Meet regularly with tribal cultural representatives to facilitate consideration of tribal perspectives in historic preservation.

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FY2011 Proposed Objectives and Activities

Expand and strengthen statewide participation in the Certified Local Government/community preservation program to promote collaborative historic preservation projects that engage the public and encourage local economic development and heritage tourism. (PRESERVE MONTANA: The Montana Historic Preservation Plan, 2008-2012: Goal/Obj. V.3) CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROGRAM

Incorporate the files and services of the Site Records Office into the state historic preservation program. Currently housed at the University of Montana and supported under contract, the 50,000+ inventory files of Montana's recorded historic, archaeological, and traditional cultural places will move to the Montana Historical Society in June 2011. (PRESERVE MONTANA: The Montana Historic Preservation Plan, 2008-2012: Goal/Obj. III.4) SURVEY & INVENTORY PROGRAM

Continue to populate the newly created state antiquities geo-database and geographic information system (GIS) with location information on over 50,000 existing recorded properties and 30,000 cultural resource surveys in order to more efficiently and effectively facilitate record searches for the consideration of heritage properties by agencies, proponents, and the public in project planning and development to avoid unnecessary harm. (PRESERVE MONTANA: The Montana Historic Preservation Plan, 2008-2012: Goal/Obj. I.4; III.4) SURVEY & INVENTORY PROGRAM

Initiate digital (OCR .pdf) scanning of inventory documents in the Cultural Resource Annotated Bibliography System (CRABS) for improved access, sharing, archival storage, and use of office space. (PRESERVE MONTANA: The Montana Historic Preservation Plan, 2008-2012: Goal/Obj. I.4; III.2; III.4) SURVEY & INVENTORY PROGRAM

Work more closely and in coordination with state agencies to encourage and assist their stewardship of Montana's state-owned heritage properties on behalf of Montana citizens, as recommended by the 2010 Interim Legislative Committee on Local Government and Education (HJR32). (PRESERVE MONTANA: The Montana Historic Preservation Plan, 2008-2012: Goal/Obj. I.1; IV.1; IV.3; V.1) PLANNING PROGRAM; REVIEW & COMPLIANCE PROGRAM; ACQUISITIONS, DEVELOPMENT & COVENANTS PROGRAM

Provide technical (as needed) and financial (as available) assistance to the preparation of nominations for listing heritage properties in the National Register of Historic Places. (PRESERVE MONTANA: The Montana Historic Preservation Plan, 2008-2012: Goal/Obj. III.3) NATIONAL REGISTER PROGRAM

Sponsor and organize a two-day National Register workshop, involving representatives from the National Park Service. (PRESERVE MONTANA: The Montana Historic Preservation Plan, 2008-2012: Goal/Obj. I.1; I.3; III.2; V.2) NATIONAL REGISTER PROGRAM

Work with Housing and Urban Development (HUD) program in the training of state and local programs assisting the rehabilitation of historic properties to improve opportunities for preservation and treatment meeting the Secretary of the Interior standards.

(PRESERVE MONTANA: The Montana Historic Preservation Plan, 2008-2012:

Goal/Obj. I.1; IV.1; IV.4; V.1) REVIEW & COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

Complete and share results of the SHPO Preserve America III inventory of selected Post WWII architectural properties in Montana and initiate follow-up research and/or educational project. (PRESERVE MONTANA: The Montana Historic Preservation Plan, 2008-2012: Goal/Obj. I.2, I.4; II.3; III.2) SURVEY & INVENTORY PROGRAM; OTHER PROGRAM

Oversee project development and sub-grant awards under the *Montana Community Revitalization Project: Heritage Planning for the New Decade* Preserve America grant IV for \$169,348. (PRESERVE MONTANA: The Montana Historic Preservation Plan, 2008-2012: Goal/Obj. I.3IV.1; IV.2; IV.5; V.2) ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM; PLANNING PROGRAM

Communicate and consult with tribes, including participation in a Tribal Historic Preservation Officer summit. (PRESERVE MONTANA: The Montana Historic Preservation Plan, 2008-2012: Goal/Obj. I.4; V.4) PLANNING PROGRAM; REVIEW & COMPLIANCE PROGRAM; OTHER PROGRAM

Three FY2011 Montana SHPO Historic Preservation Highlights

Site Records Office moves to SHPO

On May 17, 2011, the Montana State Historic Preservation Office officially assumed the services and records of the state Site Records Office, formerly held at the University of Montana's Department of Anthropology, and supported through a contract between SHPO and UM since the 1980s. This includes the roles of assigning official numbers (Smithsonian trinomials) to all newly recorded sites, keeping the property records on file, and providing copies (electronic and paper) as necessary upon request. On June 21, the original paper records ("site forms"), some dating to the 1940s, for more than 52,000 recorded archaeological and historic sites (150 banker boxes) were transported from the University to the Montana Historical Society to be archivally managed by SHPO. These one-of-a-kind records, and their electronic representation in the SHPO State Antiquities Database, constitute the official inventory of all of Montana's documented archaeological and historic places. While no longer in a contractual relationship, SHPO and the University are committed to continuing to pursue educational and research partnerships that will further the survey and inventory of cultural resource properties in Montana.

Preservation Planning in Montana stimulated by Preserve America

In October 2010, SHPO received its fourth grant from the National Park Service's Preserve America program to support local historic preservation planning in Montana. The *Montana Community Revitalization Project: Heritage Planning for the New Decade* (PAIV) grant for \$169,348 provides for SHPO-administered sub-grants and programs in 2010-2012 that assist Montana Preserve America communities with the development of plans to promote sustainable economic growth and heritage tourism through the preservation of local historic properties. Matching preservation planning sub-grants totaling \$97,500 were awarded in February 2011 to six Montana Preserve America communities. In addition, \$40,000 was awarded to the Montana Main Street program to promote capacity building and planning in three Montana Main Street Communities (Sheridan, Stevensville, and Terry) and \$13,000 was provided to the Museums Association of Montana (MAM) to update their 1999 economic impact study of Montana's museums, which includes historic sites. This may be the last Preserve America grant for SHPO for a while, as funding for the national program is not included in the current federal budget.

Montana Modern: Forward Into the Past!

FY2011 was SHPO's year of modernism architecture in Montana. SHPO adopted and funded a package of initiatives to bring greater awareness and appreciation to our architectural legacy of the more recent past. Among these projects were completion of a pilot survey of 50 post WWII buildings across the state, development of a special exhibit at the Montana Historical Society museum, oral history interviews of practicing Montana Modernist architects, contracting for the preparation of four National Register nominations of modernist buildings, and production of the 2011 Montana preservation poster: *Montana Modern*. For more and developing information, visit us at <http://mhs.mt.gov/shpo/modernism.asp>

ADMINISTRATIVE PROGRAM FY2011


. Perform regular, allowable administrative activities that contribute to the preservation of Montana's cultural resource properties, including: budget formulation; personnel management and staff development; administrative organization; and responsible fiscal management (2008-2012 Goals/Objectives: IV.3, IV.5, V.1, IV.3)

- ✓ Complied with state and National Park Service (NPS) policies and procedures in allocation and expenditure of FY2011 annual federal grant allocation (Historic Preservation Fund) to Montana SHPO totaling \$777,164. Documenting required 40% non-federal match (\$518,109).
- ✓ Ongoing administration of \$169,348 national *Preserve America* planning grant awarded from the National Park Service in August 2010: *Montana Community Revitalization Project: Heritage Planning for the New Decade* (PAIV 2010-2012) (see below, Planning Program).
- ✓ Successfully closed out two national *Preserve America* grants previously received from the National Park Service: *Montana Heritage Training Initiative* (PAII 2007-2010; Training) and *Montana Places: Expanding the Cultural and Historical Record of Montana* (PAIII 2008-2011; Research & Documentation). These grants totaled \$249,979 in awarded funds.
- ✓ Managed FY2011 expenditures of \$25,274 of ongoing Bureau of Land Management (BLM) cooperative agreement grant support for data-sharing and the development of a statewide geo-database/geographic information system for recorded cultural resource sites and documented surveys.
- ✓ Administered program revenue from the newly established file search request fee, instituted July 1, 2010. A total of \$41,900 was billed in federal FY2011. This revenue is used to support development and maintenance of the State Antiquities Database, including operations of the Montana Site Records Office moved from the University of Montana to the State Historic Preservation Office in May 2011 (see below, Survey and Inventory).



- ✓ Maintained professional staffing requirements (9.75 FTE) including individuals meeting or exceeding the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Professional Qualifications in historic preservation, history, architectural history, or archaeology. SHPO staff, as of the end of FY2011 are:

- Mark Baumler, Program Manager/State Historic Preservation Officer (Ph.D. Anthropology)
- Tammy Henderson, Administrative Assistant
- Kristen Moyle, Preservation Grants Administrator (M.A. Sociology)

- John Boughton, National Register Coordinator/Deputy SHPO (M.A. Anthropology)
 - Pete Brown, Historic Architecture Specialist/Deputy SHPO (M.S. Historic Preservation)
 - Kate Hampton, Community Preservation Coordinator/Deputy SHPO (M.A. History)
 - Josef Warhank, Compliance Officer/Deputy SHPO (M.A. History)
 - Stan Wilmoth, State Archaeologist/Deputy SHPO (Ph.D. Anthropology)
 - Damon Murdo, Cultural Records Manager (M.A. Anthropology)
 - Shannon Vihlene, Cultural Records Assistant (M.A. Anthropology)
- ✓ Kate Hampton, who was hired at the end of last fiscal year to replace Rolene Schliesman as SHPO Community Preservation Coordinator, began work in November 2010. Formerly the SHPO National Register Coordinator (2000-2008), Kate worked for the Montana Preservation Alliance for two years prior to her return to the State Historic Preservation Office.
- ✓ Hired Kristen Moyle in July 2011 to replace Sonia Powell, SHPO Preservation Grants Administrator, who resigned to spend more time with her husband in Lewistown. Kristen was most recently employed by the Montana Department of Commerce as an Administrative Specialist/Grants Manager in the Quality Schools Grant Program.
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- ✓ In addition to the above staff, a temporary fulltime clerical employee was hired beginning in March 2011 from the A2Z Staffing Solutions employment agency to initiate scanning of documents in the Cultural Resource Annotated Bibliography System (CRABS) for electronic access through the State Antiquities Database. This position was filled by Chad Watkins (March), Michael Trenk (April–August), and most recently Ravyn Scott (August-present) (see below, Survey and Inventory).
- ✓ Staff development: attendance and participation in professional conferences, workshops and other forums to maintain and enhance staff knowledge, skills, and abilities:
- Montana Office of Indian Affairs Tribal Relations Training Seminar, Helena, December 16, 2010 (Stan Wilmoth, Kate Hampton)
 - Human Resource Training: *Preventing Harassment in the Workplace*, Helena, December 1-2, 2010 (All staff)
 - Montana Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (THPOs) Summit, Helena, March 23-24, 2011 (Stan Wilmoth)
 - Bureau of Land Management-SHPO Cultural Resource Data Sharing Project workshop, Santa Fe (NM), February 14-18, 2011 (Damon Murdo)
 - Montana Archaeological Society annual meeting/conference, Bozeman, April 8-10, 2011 (Mark Baumler, Stan Wilmoth, Damon Murdo, Shannon Vihlene, Tammy Henderson)

- ESRI ARCH GIS 10 training seminar, State Information Technology Services Division, Helena, May 2-4, 2011 (Shannon Vihlene)
- Friends of the Upper Rock Creek Historic District volunteer work group project site visit, Lolo National Forest, May 13, 2011 (Mark Baumler, John Boughton)
- Grant Kohrs Ranch NHL meeting and retreat, June 20, 2011 (All staff)
- Archaeological excavations at 1875-1884 Crow Agency II, Montana Department of Transportation & Aaberg Cultural Resources Services, Absarokee, July 25-27 (Stan Wilmoth, Josef Warhank, Shannon Vihlene, Kate Hampton, John Boughton)
- National Register Preservation Workshop: *Demystifying Modernism and the National Register of Historic Places*, Paul Lusignan, National Register historian, Missoula, September 22, 2011 (Mark Baumler, John Boughton, Kate Hampton, Josef Warhank, Shannon Vihlene, Kristen Moyle)
- 2011 Montana History Conference: *No Ordinary Time: War, Resistance, and the Montana Experience*, Missoula, September 22-24, 2011 (Josef Warhank, John Boughton, Kate Hampton, Kristen Moyle, and Shannon Vihlene)
- Preservation workshop: *The Architectural Barriers Act (ABA) and Historic Structures*, Lake MacDonald, Glacier National Park, September 28-29, 2011 (Pete Brown)



- ✓ Met monthly with Montana Historical Society Centralized Services Division to monitor State Historic Preservation Office budget and expenditures.
- ✓ Met and exceeded Montana Legislature agency program performance measures established for state FY2011.



PLANNING PROGRAM FY2011

. Perform regular, allowable planning activities that contribute to the preservation of Montana's cultural resource properties, including participation in the creation, review, and revision of agency and local plans; the development of historic contexts; the development and implementation of state and local preservation ordinances, regulations, and laws; and the application of advanced technologies in historic and prehistoric property preservation planning (2008-2012 Goals/Objectives: I.1, I.4, III.2, III.4, IV.1, IV.2, IV.4, V.2, V.4)

- ✓ SHPO received notification from the National Park Service in October 2010 of a new national *Preserve America* grant award for \$169,348 for the *Montana Community Revitalization Project: Heritage Planning for the New Decade*. This fourth statewide Montana Preserve America grant (and first in the area of preservation planning) supports SHPO administered sub-grants and programs in 2010-2012 to assist Montana Preserve America communities with the development of plans that promote sustainable economic growth and heritage tourism through the preservation of local historic properties. Matching preservation planning sub-grants totaling \$97,500 were awarded in February 2011 to six Montana Preserve America communities as follows:
 - Jefferson County: Feasibility plan for renovation of the Borden's Hotel, Whitehall (\$8,000)
 - Missoula County: Milltown interpretive plan development, *Nature and Culture at the Confluence* (\$18,000)
 - Lewistown: Reed and Bowles Trading Post preservation plan (\$9,500)
 - Great Falls: Planning and piloting of a technical assistance program for historic building analyses (\$21,500)
 - Butte/Silver Bow County: updating the 1993 Butte-Anaconda Heritage Corridor Regional Historic Preservation Plan (\$20,000)
 - Anaconda/Deer Lodge County: Preliminary architectural report on the preservation of the Deer Lodge County Courthouse (\$20,000)

In addition, \$40,000 was awarded to the Montana Department of Commerce Main Street program to promote capacity building and planning in three Montana Main Street Communities (Sheridan, Stevensville, and Terry) and \$13,000 was provided to the Museums Association of Montana (MAM) to update their 1999 economic impact study of Montana's museums, which includes historic sites. SHPO Preservation Grants Administer Sonia Powell and Community Preservation Coordinator Kate Hampton organized and hosted an all-day workshop with sub-grantees on March 25, 2011, led by contracted planning facilitator Janet Cornish of Butte.



- ✓ SHPO participated, as requested by the 2011 Legislature, in the development and passage of Senate Bill 3 to amend the Montana State Antiquities Act (MCA 22-3-422) to require state agencies to report biennially on their stewardship

activities and plans for state-owned heritage properties (properties on or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places). Under the amendments (<http://data.opi.mt.gov/bills/2011/billpdf/SB0003.pdf>), state agency reports are due to the State Historic Preservation Review Board in February of even-numbered years (2012, 2014, etc). The Review Board, in conjunction with SHPO, will report and make recommendations back to the Legislature and the Governor based on the agency reports. In April and July 2011, at the request of state agencies, SHPO hosted two meetings to present a list of known state-owned heritage properties and a recommended outline and template for agency reporting. The first round of state agency reports is due February 7, 2012. (For further information, see the State Historic Preservation Office website: <http://mhs.mt.gov/shpo/State-owned%20Heritage%20Properties.asp>)

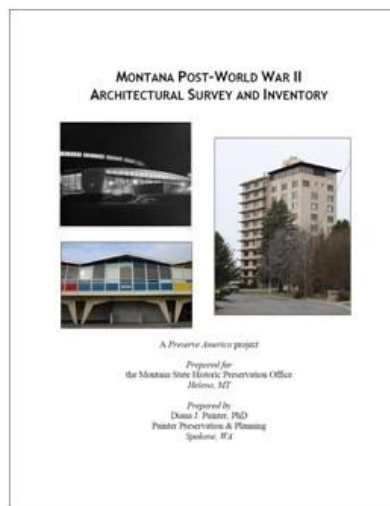
- ✓ SHPO State Archaeologist Stan Wilmoth attended a third Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) summit meeting in Helena, March 23-24, 2011 to continue discussion of issues of tribal cultural and heritage property preservation.
- ✓ Promoted awareness and use of *PRESERVE MONTANA: The Montana Historic Preservation Plan, 2008-2012* in public and professional forums, to local preservation programs and in preservation education materials (<http://mhs.mt.gov/shpo/surveyplanning/HistPresPlan.asp>).
- ✓ Routinely monitored FY2011 SHPO activities and projects for conformance with the goals and objectives of the 2008-2012 Montana State Preservation Plan: *PRESERVE MONTANA*.
- ✓ Reviewed and commented on federal, state, and local agency and organization planning and management documents, as requested, with respect to goals and objectives in the preservation of Montana heritage properties.
- ✓ Met with the Montana Wilderness Association to discuss support for the proposed Sleeping Giant and Gates of the Mountains Wilderness areas, and potential historic preservation concerns.



SURVEY AND INVENTORY PROGRAM FY2011

. Perform regular, allowable survey and inventory activities that contribute to the preservation of Montana's cultural resource properties, including: the conduct or support of surveys to locate, identify, record, and evaluate historic and pre-contact sites; the development, maintenance and use of cultural resource inventory information; and the application of new technologies in support of the above (2008-2012 Goals/Objectives: I.4, III.1, III.4)

- ✓ Acquired and added 666 new cultural resource reports to the SHPO statewide Cultural Resource Annotated Bibliography System (CRABS) database and inventory library in FY2011, representing 117,725 acres of new survey [FY2010: 739 reports/119,678 acres]. There are presently 30,811 documents in CRABS and on file at SHPO.
- ✓ Added 839 newly recorded properties in FY2011 to the Montana Cultural Resource Information System (CRIS) database and statewide property inventory files maintained in the Site Records Office at SHPO [FY2010: 1372]. These include 536 new historic properties, 279 pre-contact sites, 16 combination historic/pre-contact sites, as well as 8 paleontological localities. Updated information was collected and registered on an additional 164 previously recorded properties. There are 52,432 total cultural resource properties recorded in Montana in the state antiquities database and inventory.
- ✓ Concluded contracted survey, inventory and evaluation of fifty (50) selected Post-WWII (1945-1960) modernist buildings in Montana, supported by \$43,000 in SHPO Montana *Preserve America* III research and documentation grant funds.



In a report prepared by Painter Preservation Planning (Spokane, WA), <http://mhs.mt.gov/shpo/modernism.asp>, thirty-eight (38) of the properties were deemed eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places for their architectural significance and integrity, and confirmed by the Montana State Historic Preservation Review Board at its September 22, 2011, meeting in Missoula.

- ✓ Continued development of statewide Geo-database/Geographic Information System (GIS) for cultural resource sites and surveys. Completed the digitization process of site and survey locations within seventeen (17) eastern Montana counties encompassed by the BLM Miles City Field Office, supported by a BLM-SHPO cost-share agreement. Continued digitization of all newly recorded sites and documented surveys in FY2011.

- ✓ Initiated scanning of the more than 30,000 cultural resource survey documents and reports in the Montana Cultural Resource Annotated Bibliography System (CRABS) library. Once scanned, these documents become accessible through the State Antiquities Database system as .pdf images, with optical character recognition (OCR) capabilities. Approximately 8,900 documents were scanned in FY2011 by temporary employees hired through the A2Z Staffing Solutions employment service.

- ✓ Completed the transfer of files and services of the Montana Site Records Office from The University of Montana Department of Anthropology to the Montana Historical Society State Historic Preservation Office in May 2011. Henceforth SHPO assumes responsibilities for issuing Smithsonian trinomials to newly recorded historic and archaeological sites, maintaining the site records archival files (ca 52,000 recorded historic and archaeological sites), and providing copies of site forms in digital or paper form on request and for a processing fee. Shannon Vihlene employed as Site Records Office Manager/Cultural Records Assistant under Damon Murdo, SHPO Cultural Records Manager. While no longer in a contractual relationship, SHPO and the University will continue to pursue educational and research partnerships to further the survey and inventory of Montana's cultural resource properties.



NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES PROGRAM FY2011

. Perform regular, allowable National Register program activities that contribute to the preservation of Montana's cultural resource properties, including: support for the Montana State Historic Preservation Review Board; documentation and evaluation of properties for potential National Register listing; preparation and submission of nominations for eligible properties to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places; participation in the designation of National Historic Landmarks; public education and promotion of the National Register program; and the support of the official Montana National Register property sign program (2008-2012 Goals/Objectives: I.2, II.3, III.3)

- ✓ John Boughton, SHPO National Register Coordinator, organized three meetings of the nine-member, Governor-appointed Montana State Historic Preservation Review Board in FY2011: Helena (January 19, 2011); Columbus (May 21-22, 2011); and Missoula (September 22, 2010). Thirteen (13) new draft National Register nominations were reviewed and passed at these meetings; one nomination was tabled for further development.
- ✓ At its January 2011 meeting, the Review Board also heard and supported one new and one revised National Historic Landmark (NHL) nominations for Montana prepared and presented by the National Park Service with SHPO comments: Fort Benton NHL Boundary Definition/Revision (Choteau County) and Deer Medicine Rocks NHL (Rosebud County)
- ✓ Fourteen (14) new Montana properties were officially listed in the National Register of Historic Places in FY2011. These included five (5) bridges put forward by the Montana Department of Transportation under the *Reinforced Concrete Bridges in Montana, 1900-1958 Multiple Property Document*, prepared in conjunction with the MDT-SHPO Historic Roads and Bridges Programmatic Agreement for consideration of the impact of MDT/FHWA undertakings. FY2011 Montana National Register listed properties are (by county):



Alvin Young Barn & Cabin, Busby vicinity, Big Horn County	01/25/2011
Bearcreek Cemetery, Bearcreek, Carbon County	01/18/2011
Red Lodge Communal Mausoleum, Carbon County	03/21/2011
Bluewater Creek Bridge, Fromberg Vicinity, Carbon County*	04/28/2011
Bad Route Creek Bridge, Fallon vicinity, Dawson County*	04/28/2011
Gus Nelson Homestead, Missouri River Breaks, Fergus County	03/21/2011
Lonsomehurst Cabin, West Yellowstone vicinity, Gallatin County	08/18/2011
Sheep Creek Bridge, Wolf Creek vicinity, Lewis & Clark County*	04/28/2011
Missoula Downtown HD Increase (Free Speech Corner), Mo Co	02/07/2011
Target Range Elementary School, Missoula, Missoula County	08/10/2011

Carlton Community Church, Florence, Missoula County	09/23/2011
Carter Bridge, Livingston vicinity, Park County*	04/28/2011
Conley Street Bridge, Deer Lodge, Powell County*	04/28/2011
Atlas Block, Columbus, Stillwater County	08/24/2011

* *Reinforced Concrete Bridges in Montana, 1900-1958 Multiple Property Document*

- ✓ A 2010 donation of \$5,000 from the Montana Land Title Association Foundation matched by federal Historic Preservation Funds (HPF) and administered by SHPO supported the research and preparation of the National Register nominations of the Target Range Elementary School and the Atlas Block.

- ✓ Organized and hosted the *2011 Biennial Montana State Historic Preservation Awards Ceremony and Reception* at the historic Myrna Loy Center Theater in Helena on January 19, 2011. An estimated 150 people in attendance witnessed 43 properties listed in the National Register during the past two years receive official certificates of listing from Lt. Governor John Bohlinger, Society Interim Director Mike Cooney, and State Historic Preservation Officer Mark Baumler. Four 2011 Montana



Historic Preservation awards were also bestowed upon Jennifer Jessen, Bearcreek (Outstanding Volunteerism and Local Advocacy), Stuart Conner, Billings (Outstanding Individual Achievement in Archaeology), the Butte-Silver Bow Public Archives (Outstanding Local Preservation Project), and the Ouellette Place Apartment Project, Lewistown (Outstanding Preservation Rehabilitation Project/2011 Governor's Award for Preservation). Outgoing State Preservation Review Board member, Rebecca Hanna of Choteau (2007-2010), received a plaque of appreciation for her service to the state.



- ✓ Organized and facilitated a half-day National Register workshop at the Montana History Conference in Missoula, September 22, 2011, featuring Paul Lusignan, NPS National Register Historian. Lusignan's program, *Demystifying Modernism and the National Register of Historic Places*, focused on the National Register nomination process, procedures, requirements, and challenges, as well as special issues relating to significant properties from the "recent past." This workshop was attended by more than 40 participants.
- ✓ Initiated contracts totaling \$23,000 with professional consultants for the preparation of National Register nominations, including the completion of the expansion of the University of Montana Campus historic district (Missoula

County), the Dayton Bank (Lake County), the Borden Hotel (Whitehall, Jefferson County), the Little Western Life Building and the state-owned Walt Sullivan Building (Helena, Lewis & Clark County), the Lockridge Medical Clinic (Whitefish, Flathead County), and the Como Orchards/University Heights Landscape Historic District (near Darby, Ravalli County). All properties are programmed to be listed in 2012.



- ✓ Regularly met or communicated with public and private owners of historic properties interested in listing properties in the National Register of Historic Places. Provided workbooks, guidance and technical assistance to owners to assist in research and documentation efforts. Visited Hill 57 in Great Falls with local representatives to

discuss its eligibility as a traditional cultural property to the Turtle Mountain Clan.

- ✓ Routinely provided information to public inquiries regarding Montana properties currently listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Maintained the Montana SHPO online list of National Register of Historic Places properties in Montana: <http://mhs.mt.gov/shpo/nationalreg.asp>



- ✓ Documented and concurred in 288 evaluations of National Register eligibility and 261 evaluations of ineligibility of historic and archaeological properties (aka “consensus determinations”) within the context of state and federal historic preservation legislation (i.e., Section 106 National Historic Preservation Act and Montana State Antiquities Act).

- ✓ Gave file support to the Montana Historical Society’s Outreach & Interpretation Division, National Register Property Sign Program for the production of 60 new heritage property interpretive plaques. The sign program is supported by an annual allocation from the Montana state accommodations tax. Many of the state's National Register sign texts can be found on the Montana Historical Society [Montana History Wiki](http://montanahistorywiki.pbworks.com/National-Register-of-Historic-Places-Sign-Texts) :



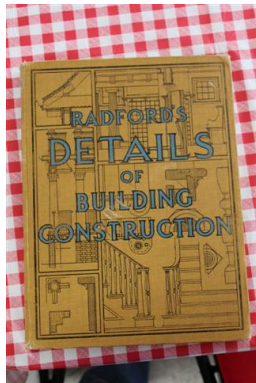
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- ✓ Regularly assisted local communities and owners in the preparation and distribution of press releases and stories of new and previously listed National Register properties across the state.

DEVELOPMENT/ACQUISITIONS/COVENANTS PROGRAM FY2011

. Perform regular, allowable activities relating to historic property development, acquisition and/or covenants that contribute to the preservation of Montana's cultural resource properties, including: the review or preparation of "pre-development" plans; assistance in the material conservation of National Register listed properties; support for the acquisition and preservation of historic sites; preparation and provision of technical assistance in historic architectural preservation; and the development and monitoring as provided for in historic property preservation agreements. (2008-2012 Goals/Objectives: I.1, IV.5)

- ✓ Provided technical reviews and comments to the Montana Department of Commerce on 10 historic site preservation project proposals submitted as applications for support in 2011 under the Montana Tourism Infrastructure Investment Program (aka TIIP grants).
- ✓ Provided review and on-site assistance to state agencies, including the Montana University system, for projects involving state heritage buildings listed in or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.



- ✓ Routinely responded to public inquiries regarding historic building repairs and renovations for properties eligible for or listed in the National Register of Historic Places.
- ✓ Provided technical assistance and made field visits and contributions to non-compliance/non-tax credit building projects active in planning or implementation in FY2011. These included the Kiwanis Chapel in Beaver Creek Park, Hill County, and the Helena YWCA.
- ✓ Attended regular committee meetings to consider plans for the maintenance and rehabilitation of the National Register listed Helena/Lewis & Clark County city-county building, a former Federal Building protected under a deed covenant.
- ✓ Currently hold term preservation covenants and/or agreements for 27 historic properties as a result of previous historic preservation assistance grants (e.g. NPS Save-America's Treasures grants; SHPO HPF Rural Property Brick and Mortar Grant program; etc.)
- ✓ Provided support to and accompanied Montana Department of Transportation Archaeologist Steve Platt in field visits to archaeological sites under consideration by the national Archaeological Conservancy for acquisition and/or preservation easements.

PRESERVATION TAX INCENTIVES PROGRAM FY2011

. Perform regular, allowable activities related to the federal and other tax credit rehabilitation programs that contribute to the preservation of Montana's cultural resource properties, including: providing technical assistance and information to organizations and individuals related to the use of federal, state, and local tax incentives; and the review, inspection, and certification of federal tax act projects pursuant to 36 CFR 67 (2008-2012 Goals/Objectives: I.1, Iv.4, V.2)

- ✓ Reviewed \$1,608,322 in federal tax credits representing \$8,041,612 in investment in commercial historic property rehabilitations in FY2011. Tax Act credit projects certified as completed (Part 3) by NPS in FY2011 include the Hennessey Annex-Sears Building and the Boll Bungalow in Butte.
- ✓ Tax Act credit projects active in FY2011 included the Missoula Mercantile (Macy's Building) and Palace Hotel in Missoula; the Garfield School and Babcock Theatre in Billings; the Kaiser House in Philipsburg; and the Conroy Bungalow and Metals Bank Building in Butte.
- ✓ Regularly responded to and met with owners of commercial properties considering the federal tax credit rehabilitation program. In FY2011, SHPO met onsite with interested owners and developers regarding the Missoula Mercantile, Fort Missoula Hospital Building, and Palace Hotel, all in Missoula; the Conroy Bungalow, Greek Cafe and Hirbour Tower in Butte; and the Atlas Block in Helena.
- ✓ Pete Brown, SHPO Historic Architecture Specialist, made four public presentations on the Tax Credit program to groups at The University of Montana, Missoula (January), in Glendive (March), in Bozeman (May) and in Butte (June) in 2011. [see below, Other Activities]
- ✓ Brown appeared as an informational witness before the 2011 Montana State Legislature for Senate Bill 253 to repeal the state tax credit for historic rehabilitation, along with other state tax credits. The measure passed the Legislature with amendments which excluded the state historic rehabilitation tax credit from repeal, before ultimately being vetoed in its entirety by Montana's Governor Brian Schweitzer.



REVIEW AND COMPLIANCE PROGRAM FY2011

. Perform regular, allowable review and compliance activities that contribute to the preservation of Montana's cultural resource properties, including: timely project reviews with qualified professional staff according to applicable federal and/or state rules, standards and guidelines; specific assistance to federal agencies in fulfilling their responsibilities under Sections 106 and 110 of the National Historic Preservation Act; the development and participation in preservation compliance agreements; and the participation as legally designated in related state preservation laws and code, including the Montana State Antiquities Act, the Montana Human Skeletal Remains and Burial Protection Act and the Montana Repatriation Act (2008-2012

Goals/Objectives: III.2, IV.2, V.1, V.3, V.4)

- ✓ In FY2011, SHPO Review and Compliance staff (Josef Warhank, Stan Wilmoth, Pete Brown, Damon Murdo) reviewed and provided written responses to 1,519 compliance project/program letter requests under the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106), the National Environmental Protection Act, and/or state preservation laws (Montana State Antiquities Act, Montana Environmental Protection Act). These responses represent an average of 6.1 written review and compliance consultations per *work day*, down from FY2010 (7.1). A single compliance request may involve one or more individual projects and properties.
- ✓ Of the total 1,519 compliance consultations, 816 were “file search” requests for initial SHPO cultural resource information and/or survey recommendations for project areas of potential effect. SHPO provided same- or next-day responses to the majority of these file search requests (response turn-around rate = 0.91 days, where 0 = same day; 1 = next *calendar day*). The 816 FY2011 file searches involved record searches of 11,602 sections of land.
- ✓ For the remaining 685 Review and Compliance reviews and consultations for project undertakings (e.g., written comments on cultural resource survey reports, evaluations of historical significance, determinations of effect, treatment options, preservation agreements for mitigation of adverse effects, etc.), the overall average response turn-around rate in FY2011 was 8.3 *calendar days* per consultation. This average response rate, shorter than in FY2010 (9.0 *calendar days*), is well below the 30-day review time generally allowed for under preservation regulations.
- ✓ For the 472 (out of 816) initial project reviews (“file searches”) made in FY2011 when SHPO survey recommendations were requested by agencies or designated applicants, SHPO recommended that no further cultural resource work was necessary in 324 (69%) cases, based upon existing information in the State Antiquities Database and staff determination that there was a low likelihood of impact to significant heritage properties within the project areas of potential effects. These projects were able to proceed without further consultation with SHPO on cultural resource impacts.

- ✓ SHPO participated in the development of and signed six (6) Memoranda of Agreement (MOAs) and eight (8) Programmatic Agreements (PAs) in FY2011 with lead federal and state agencies, the federal Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), and other concurring parties for the treatment and mitigation of adverse or potentially adverse effects to significant heritage properties under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and/or the Montana State Antiquities Act.



FY2011 Programmatic Agreements included:

- *One Year Extension of the Programmatic Agreement Regarding the Proposed Construction and Operation by the Tongue River Railroad Company of a Rail Line from Miles City to Decker in Custer, Rosebud, Powder River and Big Horn Counties, Montana* (Surface Transportation Board/ACHP/SHPO/US Corps of Engineers/ Bureau of Land Management/US Agricultural Research Services/Montana DNRC)
 - *Regarding Managing Historic Properties That May be Affected by Issuing a License to Northern Lights, Inc. for the Continued Operation of the Lake Creek Hydroelectric Project in Lincoln County, Montana* (Federal Energy Regulatory Commission/SHPO)
 - *Regarding the Montana Heritage Preservation and Development Commission Preservation Program* (Montana Heritage Preservation and Development Commission/SHPO)
 - *Regarding Abandoned Historic Railroad Grades Affected by Montana Department of Transportation Undertakings in Montana* (Federal Highway Administration/ACHP/SHPO/Montana Department of Transportation)
 - *Regarding Resolution of Adverse Effects Associated with the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation Forested State Trust Lands Habitat Conservation Plan* (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service/SHPO/Blackfeet THPO/Montana DNRC)
 - *Regarding the Keystone XL Pipeline Project* (US Dept. of State/ACHP/SHPOs/Various Federal Agencies/Montana DNRC/Montana DEQ)
 - *Regarding Managing Historic Properties That May be Affected by Issuing a License to Gibson Dam Hydroelectric Project in Lewis & Clark and Teton Counties, Montana* (Federal Energy Regulatory Commission/SHPO)
 - *Regarding Mitigation of Adverse Effects on Historic properties Resulting from the Proposed Greencore CO2 Pipeline in Central Wyoming and Southern Montana* (Bureau Of Land Management/ACHP/Wyoming SHPO/Montana SHPO)
- ✓ Out of the total 1,519 compliance consultations in FY2011, only ten (10) federal and three (3) state undertakings resulted in a finding of *adverse effect* to National Register eligible state heritage properties (outside of potential future adverse effects to properties addressed through programmatic agreements).

- ✓ The three FY2011 state projects with *adverse effects* included: 1) Flint Creek dam (24GN0964) spillway and diversion structure replacement (Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation: mitigation by recordation); 2) Nevada City Bell Tower dismantling (Montana Heritage Commission: mitigation by photo-documentation); and 3) Forest Rose Mine and Millsite (24GN0990) remediation (Montana Department of Environmental Quality – Abandoned Mines Section: mitigation by avoidance of unnecessary impact and development of additional historic context).

- ✓ The ten federal undertakings resulting in findings of *adverse effects* in FY2011 were:

- Glasgow Army Airfield runway modifications (Federal Aviation Administration) (*MOA)
- Lovell-Yellowtail #1 & #2 Transmission Line rebuild (Western Area Power Administration)
- Twin Lakes Creek water system replacement (USFS Beaverhead National Forest) (*MOA)
- Rock Creek culvert removal (Fish & Wildlife Service) (*MOA)
- Town of Laurel City Hall Window Replacements (US Department of Energy/Montana Department of Environmental Quality Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program)
- Sweetgrass County Annex Window Replacements (US Department of Energy/Montana Department of Environmental Quality Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program)
- Spring Creek Coal Pearson Creek Expansion (Office of Surface Mining/Montana Department of Environmental Quality)
- Huntley Irrigation Project repairs (Bureau of Reclamation) (*MOA)
- Judith River bridge (24JT0340) demolition, Antelope Creek Road (Federal Emergency Management Agency)
- Fort Keogh 1902 bridge (24CR0680) demolition (US Department of Agriculture)

Pursuant to 36CFR800, memoranda of agreement (MOAs) with agreed-upon mitigation measures to lessen adverse impacts were developed by the agency in consultation with SHPO for four of these federal undertakings in FY2011(*MOA). MOAs are currently planned or in development for the remaining six undertakings.

- ✓ SHPO expedited reviews of undertakings for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in the cleanup of the July 2011 ExxonMobil pipeline oil spill in the Yellowstone River downstream of Laurel and for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in implementing disaster relief projects associated with the 2011 floods in Montana. Response time for 72



FEMA consultations in August and September of 2011 averaged 1.2 *calendar days* (where 0 = same day; 1 = next day).

- ✓ SHPO hosted 27 office meetings and participated in 18 teleconference calls and two webinars with representatives of federal, state and local agencies, tribes, applicants, organizations and/or other interested parties regarding general programs and specific state and federal project undertakings with the potential to impact heritage properties.
- ✓ Pete Brown, SHPO Historic Architecture Specialist, helped conceive and implement a 2-day Section 106 training webinar hosted by the federal Advisory Council on Historic Preservation for Montana state and local agencies and other organizations involved with federal Housing & Urban Development (HUD) funded projects.

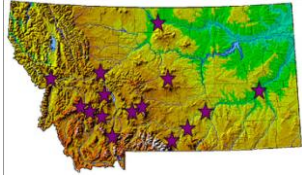


- ✓ SHPO made 11 on-site project and meeting visits, as requested by federal and state agencies or proponents for review of pending or ongoing compliance projects.
- ✓ Regularly consulted with state agencies involving state-owned heritage properties and projects on state land under the Montana State Antiquities Act, including the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (trust lands), Fish Wildlife & Parks, the Montana Heritage Commission (Virginia City NHL/Reeder's Alley), the Montana Department of Administration, and the Montana University system.
- ✓ SHPO State Archaeologist Stan Wilmoth provided staff support to the Montana Burial Board under the Montana Human Skeletal Remains and Burial Site Protection Act, assisting in the notification, handling and documentation for nine new cases involving human remains in FY2011 (three discoveries; six citizen surrenders). Wilmoth also participated in a Board teleconference call (December 22, 2010) and attended a Board meeting in Havre (September 9, 2011). SHPO nominated Steve Platt, Montana Department of Transportation Archaeologist, for re-appointment to the Governor-appointed Burial Board (approved).
- ✓ Josef Warhank, SHPO Compliance Officer, along with Stan Wilmoth, conducted successful onsite reviews of the Bureau of Land Management's heritage programs in the Dillon and Missoula Field Offices, pursuant to the BLM National Programmatic Agreement and Montana state preservation protocol for considering the impact of BLM undertakings on historic properties under the National Historic Preservation Act.



LOCAL GOVERNMENT CERTIFICATION PROGRAM FY2011

. Perform regular, allowable activities relating to the certification of local governments in the Certified Local Government (CLG) program that contribute to the preservation of Montana's cultural resource properties, including: certification as eligible under Section 101c of the National Historic Preservation Act; processing of applications for certification or amendments of certification agreements; development of state program guidance and procedures; and monitoring and evaluation of existing CLG performance under sub-grants. (2008-2012 Goals/Objectives: IV.3, V.1, V.3)

- ✓ Allocated a total of \$89,000 in operational and special project sub-grant support from the FY2011 Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) as pass-through to 15 Montana communities and/or counties currently participating in the Certified Local Government program, exceeding the minimum NPS 10% pass-through requirement. [Anaconda-Deer Lodge County CLG did not meet minimum requirements to apply for funding in FY2011]
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- ✓ FY2011 CLG special project matching sub-grants totaling \$12,000 awarded to:
 - Billings: Downtown walking tour webcast application (\$2,000)
 - Helena: 1970s urban renewal history exhibit (\$4,000)
 - Great Falls: Northside residential historic district walking tour (\$1,500)
 - Havre: Residential historic district interactive website map (\$2,000)
 - Missoula: Historic Missoula tours (\$2,500)
 - ✓ Kate Hampton, SHPO Community Preservation Coordinator communicated regularly with all Montana CLGs during the year. Maintained a Montana CLG list-serve for communications and provided SHPO orientation to newly hired Virginia City historic preservation officer, Patrick Callaway (Helena, November 22-23, 2011)
 - ✓ Performed 4-year on-site performance evaluations of four CLG programs: Lewistown (August 15-16, 2011), Missoula (September 9, 2011), Havre-Hill County (September 13, 2011) and Virginia City (September 20, 2011). Each CLG met or exceeded overall performance standards.
 - ✓ Hosted annual, half-day, statewide CLG meeting and discussion forum in conjunction with the Montana History Conference in Missoula, September 22, 2011.
 - ✓ Provided travel scholarships to CLGs to attend a National Register workshop held in conjunction with annual CLG meeting at the Montana History Conference in Missoula, September 22, 2011. This workshop featured Paul Lusignan, NPS National Register Historian. (see above: National Register of Historic Places)

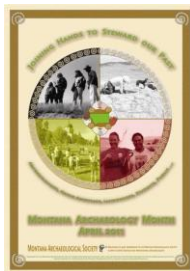
- ✓ Participated in a working group meeting in Butte, sponsored by the Butte-Silver Bow County CLG, to make revisions to the local preservation ordinance.
- ✓ Worked closely with the City of Hardin-Big Horn County CLG to successfully maintain local support and participation in Certified Local Government program.
- ✓ Attended meetings and assisted Madison County commissioners and staff in passing resolution to apply for an expansion of the Virginia City CLG into a city-countywide CLG.
- ✓ Participated in initial discussions with Columbus-Stillwater County in applying to become a new CLG program in FY2012.



**OTHER ACTIVITIES FY2011
(OUTREACH and MULTIPLE PROGRAMS)**

. Perform regular, allowable other activities that contribute to the preservation of Montana's cultural resource properties, including: organization and participation in historic preservation outreach and education programs; assistance to HABS/HAER documentation projects; the support of statewide and local preservation organizations; and the conduct of other activities that cross-cut other program areas (2008-2012 Goals/Objectives: All)

- ✓ Routinely provided expertise in preservation, historic architecture, architectural history, and archaeology to the programs and projects of the Montana Historical Society (MHS). Participated in MHS museum repatriation of Blackfeet horn bonnet under Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA).
- ✓ Assisted in the processing and approval of five applications to the Montana Centennial Farm & Ranch Program, administered through the Montana Historical Society.
- ✓ Regularly networked online and on the phone with national preservation partners, including the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers (NCSHPO), National Trust for Historic Preservation (NTHP), National Alliance of Preservation Commissions (NAPC), the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), and the National Park Service (NPS).



- ✓ Co-sponsored Montana Archaeology Month (April 2011) in conjunction with the non-profit Montana Archaeological Society (MAS). Organized and mailed the Montana Archaeology Month 2011 poster: *Joining Hands to Steward Our Past* to 300 addresses.
(<http://mhs.mt.gov/shpo/ArchWeek.asp>)

- ✓ Collaborated with non-profit, statewide Montana Preservation Alliance (MPA) in various state preservation efforts, including the MPA *Touchstone Project* community history preservation workshops in Lewistown (June 7, 2011) and Big Arm (June 9-10, 2011)
(<http://www.preservemontana.org/touchstone.html>)



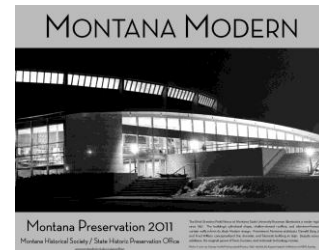
- 1). Our joint activities culminated with SHPO co-sponsoring the MPA Historic Preservation Excellence Awards Ceremony in Missoula, September 21, 2011.
- ✓ Hosted meeting with the National Park Service's Lewis & Clark National Historic Trail staff on September 9, 2011 to discuss issues of documentation, interpretation and land use management in Montana.



- ✓ SHPO State Archaeologist Stan Wilmoth, along with SHPO staff Josef Warhank, Shannon Vihlene, Kate Hampton and John Boughton, volunteered for three days of excavations at the site of the 1875-1884 Crow Agency II, near Absarokee, from July 25-27, 2011. This significant historic

archaeological site is being excavated by Aaberg Cultural Resources in advance of a Montana Department of Transportation highway project.

- ✓ Implemented a package of initiatives to bring greater awareness and understanding of Modernist architecture in Montana, including:
 - Completion of a pilot survey and inventory of 50 Post-WWII architectural properties, funded through a 2009-2011 *Preserve America* grant (Montana PA III) and contracted to Painter Preservation Planning (Painter, December 2010). Printed 100 copies of report for distribution to property owners, Montana Preserve America communities, Certified Local Governments, and special interest parties. Posted report and inventory forms online: <http://mhs.mt.gov/shpo/modernism.asp> ;
 - Designed and distributed the 2011 Montana preservation poster , *Montana Modern*, featuring the 1957 Brick Breeden Field House on the Montana State University campus in Bozeman;
 - Contracted the services of Historian Suzanne Julin to conduct oral history interviews with seven former practicing Montana Modernist architects (audio files on file at the Montana Historical Society Archives);
 - Contracted for the preparation of National Register nominations of two of the eligible surveyed Post-WWII properties (Little Western Life Insurance building and state-owned Walt Sullivan building in Helena), to be completed in 2012;
 - Contracted for the research and development of National Register nominations of the only two known Frank Lloyd Wright designed properties in Montana – the University Heights/Como Orchards historic landscape and cabins near Darby and the Lockridge Medical Clinic in Whitefish, to be completed in 2012;
 - Designed a special exhibit on Montana modernism, which opened on September 15, 2011 in the Montana Historical Society Museum’s Montana Moments gallery. Guest-curated by Pete Brown, SHPO Historic Architecture Specialist, and Kate Hampton, SHPO Community Preservation



Coordinator (<http://mhs.mt.gov/museum/specialex.asp>). Included with the exhibit is a flipbook on Modernism in Montana and an exhibit brochure.

- ✓ Maintained a statewide local preservation list-serve with announcements and news related to state and regional preservation events and happenings.
- ✓ Provided service to boards and special committees or programs of state and other organizations, including: the State Historic Preservation Review Board, the Montana Heritage Commission, the Montana Burial Preservation Board, the Natural Resource Information System Advisory Board, the State Information Technology Services Division Geographic Information System Coordination Committee, the Montana Archaeological Society, the Montana Main Street Advisory Board, and the Montana Preservation Alliance Executive Board (ex-officio).



- ✓ Organized and participated with the Montana Historical Society's Outreach and Interpretation/Education program in the annual Montana Historical Society *Montana Archaeology Day!* on September 29, 2011. This popular program included hands-on demonstrations of pre-contact

technology and material culture by SHPO staff and other professionals and was attended by more than 560 elementary and middle school students and teachers from Helena and surrounding communities.

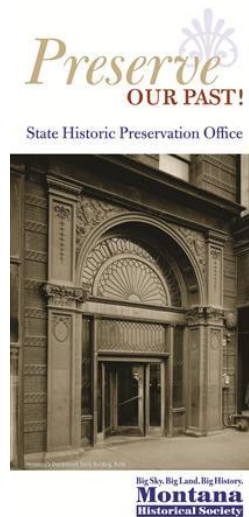
- ✓ Maintained information for Montana Historical Society in the State Tribal Activities database and contributed to the Governor's *2011 Tribal Relations Report* (<http://tribalnations.mt.gov>)

- ✓ Regularly prepared and/or assisted in the preparation of press releases for state preservation activities, including National Register of Historic Places meetings and property listings, public forums and workshops, special events, and grant awards. Regularly provided content to the newly developed Montana Historical Society Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/MontanaHistoricalSociety>



- ✓ FY2011 SHPO staff presentations/public outreach:
 - Montana Site Stewardship Program training assistance, BLM Project Archaeology, Helena National Forest, October 8-9, 2010 (Damon Murdo/Shannon Vihlene)
 - Montana Archaeological Society and Montana Historical Society information booths, Montana Educators Association Conference, Helena, October 21-22, 2010 (Damon Murdo)

- *How to Research Your Historic Property*, Montana Historical Society Membership Day, November 4, 2010 (John Boughton)
- Montana Historical Society Open House for new Legislators, November 18, 2010 (Kate Hampton)
- *International Montana: The Historic Pioneer-Veterans Memorial Building*, Montana Historical Society State Employee Appreciation Day, December 2, 2010 (Kate Hampton)
- *Historic Preservation, the Secretary of The Interior's Standards and the National Register of Historic Places Program*, University of Montana Historic Preservation seminar lectures, Missoula, January 4, 2011 (Pete Brown/Kate Hampton)
- *Forensic Archaeology*, Helena PEAK Program, 5th grade, January 4 and 5, 2011 (Damon Murdo)
- Montana Historical Society information booth, Museums Association of Montana (MAM) advocacy day, Helena Capitol rotunda, January 19, 2011 (Sonia Powell/Stam Wilmoth)
- *Respect for Native American Artifacts & Remains*, Montana Historical Society Medicine Wheel Program, Helena and Capitol High Schools, February 1, 2011 (Stam Wilmoth)
- Montana Historical Society information booth, Indian Education for All Conference, Helena, February 7, 2011
- Montana Historical Society information table display, MHS Legislative Open House, March 10, 2011
- Billings-Yellowstone County Preservation Roundtable, Billings, March 15, 2011 (Kate Hampton)
- *Federal Rehabilitation Tax Credits and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards*, Montana Main Street workshop, Glendive, March 16-17, 2011 (Pete Brown)
- Montana Historical Society information booth, Governor's Conference on Tourism, Helena, March 28, 2011 (Pete Brown)
- *Montana Historic Architecture Styles*, Montana State University Architecture class seminar lecture, Bozeman, April 5, 2011 (Kate Hampton)
- Helena High School Career Fair, April 6, 2011 (Pete Brown)
- Archaeology Month Display: *Saving Our Sites: Archaeology in Montana*, Montana Historical Society, April 9 (Amanda Trum-Streeter, Museum Program curator with SHPO assistance)
- Historic Preservation Commission Meeting, Great Falls, April 13, 2011 (Kate Hampton)
- *Custer's Last Drag: An Examination of Tobacco Use Among the Seventh Cavalry in the Nineteenth Century*, Montana Historical Society lecture, April 14, 2011 (Shannon Vihlene)
- Second Annual Preserve Historic Missoula Night (*Saving the Past – Sharing the Future*), Missoula, April 17, 2011 (Kate Hampton)



- *SHPO, Section 106, and the Great Falls SME Highwood Generating Plant Preservation Case Study*, University of Montana Cultural Resource Management Seminar, Missoula, April 19, 2011 (Mark Baumler)
- *Archaeology & Historic Preservation*, Carroll College class seminar, Helena, April 21, 2011 (Damon Murdo)
- *Human Remains and Forensic Archaeology*, for visiting University of Montana-Helena College of Technology Montana Archaeology class, April 26, 2011 (Damon Murdo)
- Montana Preservation Alliance board meeting, Helena, May 3, 2011 (Kate Hampton)
- *Old is New: Preservation Ideas for Downtown Dillon*, Historic Dillon: Heart of the Beaverhead Valley Heritage Tourism & Downtown Vitality local preservation workshop (MPA/Main Street/SHPO), May 10, 2011 (Kate Hampton)
- *Federal Rehabilitation Tax Credits & the Secretary of the Interior's Standards*, local preservation workshop, Bozeman, May 11, 2011 (Pete Brown)
- Outreach/onsite project visit: Friends of the Upper Rock Creek Historic District volunteer work group for the Morgan-Case Homestead, Hogback cabin, Rock Creek Cabin, USFS Lolo National Forest, May 13, 2011 (Mark Baumler/John Boughton)
- Presentation/Demonstrations: *Stones & Bones Footlocker*, Helena Middle School fieldtrip to the First Peoples Buffalo Jump, Ulm, June 2, 2011 (Damon Murdo)
- *Strategies for Community Preservation*, Montana Preservation Alliance Touchstone Project community history workshop, Lewistown, June 7, 2011 (Kate Hampton)
- *Architecture and Landscape: Documenting Our Heritage*, Montana Preservation Alliance Touchstone Project community history workshop, Big Arm, June 9-10, 2011 (Kate Hampton)
- *Preservation Tax Credits and Historic Rehabilitation, Dust-to-Dazzle* Open-house, Butte, June 25, 2011 (Pete Brown)
- *Garnet Days: National Register Sign Dedication*, Garnet Historic Mining District, Bureau of Land Management, June 25, 2011 (John Boughton)
- Butte-Anaconda Regional Historic Preservation Plan revision public meeting, Butte, July 14, 2011 (Kate Hampton)
- *Tipi Ring Recordation*, Bureau of Land Management Project Archaeology teacher workshop, Helena, July 20, 2011 (Damon Murdo)
- *Teaching with Historic Places*, Montana Historical Society, National



- Endowment for Humanities Landmarks teacher workshop, Helena, July 22, 2011 (Kate Hampton)
- *What is the National Register?*, Introduction to Anthropology

class lecture, University of Montana Helena College of Technology, September 12, 2011 (John Boughton)

- *Custer's Last Drag: Tobacco Use Among the Seventh Cavalry*, Introduction to Anthropology class lecture, University of Montana Helena College of Technology, September 14, 2011 (Shannon Vihlene)
- *MHS's Montana Modern Exhibit Opening*, Big Sky Chronicles, KTVH-NBC television spot, September 19, 2011 (Pete Brown)
- Montana Preservation Alliance Awards Ceremony, Florence Hotel, Missoula, September 21, 2011 (SHPO co-sponsored and attended by Mark Baumler, Kate Hampton, Kristen Moyle, John Boughton, and Shannon Vihlene)
- *They are Our B-17s*, Bases under the Big Sky Session, Montana History Conference, Missoula, September 23, 2011 (Kate Hampton)
- Montana Historical Society *Archaeology Day!* prehistoric technology and demonstrations, Helena K-8 students (N = 560), September 29, 2011 (Stan Wilmoth, Damon Murdo, Shannon Vihlene, John Boughton)

